## OFFICE OF THE CLERK TOWN OF TREMPEALEAU TREMPEALEAU COUNTY, WISCONSIN

## MINUTES OF THE 5/14/2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Chairman Ken Farley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. All members were in attendance. Open meeting certification laws were met. David Prondzinski moved to adopt the agenda, Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried. There were no public comments.

Sonja Byrne, Clerk/Treasurer reported a balance as of April 30, 2015 of \$354,581.64 in checking, \$214,470.13 in the regular money market account, \$251,818.90 in the contingency money market account, \$1,000.00 in the health savings money market account and \$569,483.69 in the CapX money market account.

David Prondzinski moved to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2015 and April 9, 2015 Board Meetings. Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried with a voice vote. The Board reviewed the vouchers from April 10, 2015 through May 14, 2015. David Prondzinski moved to pay all bills, Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Building Issues. Contractors for the Fiorini residence did not appear. Pam Weltzien spoke regarding their use of property in Bluffview Acres as a duplex and the need for a conditional use permit from the County. The Town had requested signed letters from the surrounding neighbors approving or disapproving the use. Pam Weltzien brought in four of the seven requested letters. The town clerk had received the remaining three letters. Several of the neighbors appeared at the meeting expressing their concerns with the residence being used as a duplex. Review of the signed letters showed there were three approving and four disapproving the use of the house as a duplex. David Prondzinski made a motion to not approve the request, Ken Farley seconded and the motion carried by voice vote. The town clerk will draft a letter for signature by the Board to the County Zoning Committee denying the conditional use permit.

Wendell Klein of Klein Brothers Farms submitted an application for a scare gun permit with requested exemptions. The case is currently at the Court of Appeals and the dates of use of the guns are stayed until the Court of Appeals make their decision. Dan Terek asked the board to table the matter until the June meeting. He indicated that if the permit is granted at this time the scare guns will start going off for no reason. David Prondzinski made a motion to grant the scare gun permit with the following responses to the exemption requests:

1, 2 Pursuant to Trempealeau County Circuit Court ruling in Case No. 2013-FO-241 and Appeal No. 2014-AP-2719 the dates of use have been stayed pending appeal. If the stay is lifted at a future date, a request for exemption to use scare guns after October 1, 2015 would be required.

3, 4, 5 The 300 foot requirement and the 45° requirement will not be exempted, based on the reasons requested, unless the resident or property owner gives written permission to allow less.

Ken Farley seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Penny Schubert spoke to the board regarding putting 45 mph speed limit signs on Schubert Road between Highway 54/93 and Cox Road. She also requested that signs be put up showing school bus loading and unloading in the same section. Penny Schubert also spoke in regards to the loss of trees by the Capx line and could some of the annual CapX payment be used for the replacement of trees. She is currently working with Mark Kunz with the County on possible tree planting plans. David Prondzinski asked that when she has the information from Mark Kunz that she bring it to the board and they will take it under advisement.

Crackfilling and sealcoating of town roads was discussed. Ken Farley will be meeting with the County Highway Department on Monday to review selected roads to make final determination on what roads will be completed.

David Prondzinski made a motion to have board meetings two times a month for the summer months because of the additional road work and building in the Town. Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote. The additional meeting will be held on the fourth Thursday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

Ken Farley requested that the board start to look into the purchase of a chipper and/or vacuum. David Prondzinski made a motion to start researching the possible purchases, Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

Information has been received from our insurance carrier regarding the cutting of trees on the town right of way. No cutting will be allowed by anyone other than a town employee.

New lights for the outside of the building were discussed. Two bids were received as follows:

Slaby Electric - \$4,823.64 Stetter Electric - \$3,214.70

After discussion David Prondzinski made a motion to proceed with the Stetter Electric lighting bid, Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

The town clerk presented the updated quote from La Crosse Sign. David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the new bid, Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2015.

David Prondzinski made a motion to go into closed session at 7:35 p.m. Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

David Prondzinski made a motion to come out of closed session at 7:50 p.m., Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the town office being open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

David Prondzinski made a motion to approve the town clerk's attendance at the Wisconsin Municipal Clerk School July 13 – July 17 in Green Bay. Ted Konkel seconded and the motion carried by voice vote.

David Prondzinski moved to adjourn the meeting; Ted Konkel seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonja A. Byrne, Clerk/Treasurer